

Metiri Database Access for Montana Educators

The Metiri Database located at www.metiri.com/tsw can answer the following sample questions for you.

What software can help my students to be better readers and improve their math skills?

How can technology positively impact student learning?

How can I find scientifically based research on technology-based literacy and mathematics interventions?

To gain access to the database, contact your district or county superintendent. Information on access to the database including the login password was sent to them February 2006.

Montana school districts have free access to the database for one year beginning February 2006. The access is provided by the Office of Public Instruction, Department of Education, through funding from the divisions of Educational Opportunity and Equity and Special Education.

The Metiri Database uses technology-based literacy and mathematics programs by looking at the research available on them. It ranks the quality of the research (based upon Scientifically Based Research Guidelines in NCLB) and then gives a recommendation for the software program using: "What Works," "Promising," "Inconclusive" and "Can't Recommend." Programs such as Accelerated Reader, Reader Rabbit, Waterford, etc. are included.

I also encourage you to look at the section of the Web site (link on the bottom left side of the page displayed at the above address) that discusses "Why What Works Didn't Work in LA Unified School District." It gives great insight into how technology-based solutions should be selected and implemented.

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